

LEGEND: Richie Havens will be playing at the ICC on October 10.

Havens to play one show at ICC

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ICHIE Havens, famous for his near three-hour opening performance at the legendary Woodstock Festival in 1969, is on his way to Durban.

Havens will play one show only at the International Convention Centre on Friday, October 10.

Havens was supposed to be fifth on the bill at Woodstock, but had to go on first as the other acts had not arrived because they were stuck in the traffic jam.

He received nine encores and it was reported that, "for those three hours, Richie was the festival".

Decades later Richie is still a messenger of those 60s sub-culture themes. He has performed on invitation at US President Bill Clinton's inauguration, and for the Dalai Lama.

Havens is the first international

music legend in the International Theatre Series, which will see a wide spectrum of performers coming to this country to play in smaller, intimate concerts for the discerning music public.

The concept is the brainchild of promoter and South African muso David Marks, who brought Crosby, Stills and Nash to this country.

He was also at the original Woodstock Festival in 1969 and actually helped set up the mikes for Havens.

"We are presently negotiating with other legends such as James Taylor, Taj Mahal and Don McLean which we grew up hearing but were never able to see perform live in the years when our country was blacklisted by international artists," said Marks.

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